





To-day's  
Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!

MESSRS. DALLAS

AND

MUSGRAVE'S

DRAMATIC COMPANY.

Grand Production of the  
GREAT ADELPHI NAUTICAL DRAMA

"THE HARBOUR LIGHTS."

PRICES:—\$3, \$2 and \$1.

Box Plan at the ROBINSON PIANO CO.

Soldiers and Sailors, (in Uniform), Half-price;  
to Black Seats only.

W. H. BROWN,

Business Manager.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1899. [4324]

ZETLAND LODGE,

No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above  
LODGE will be held at the FREEMAN-  
SONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-NIGHT,  
the 1st April, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely.  
Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.  
Hongkong, 1st April, 1899. [4362]

## THE HONGKONG SCHOOLS

## ATHLETIC SPORTS

will be held on the RACE COURSE,

HAPPY VALLEY, on TUESDAY,

the 4th instant, commencing at 1.00

P.M.

REFRESHMENTS for LADIES will be

provided by the Committee.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1899. [4354]

## LECTURE.

MR. J. W. JONES has kindly consented  
to deliver an Address, on "IMPERIAL  
FEDERATION," in the CHAMBER OF COM-  
MERCE ROOM, at the CITY HALL, TUESDAY,  
the 4th April, 1899, at 5.15 P.M.  
The MEETING is OPEN to the PUBLIC  
and LADIES are invited.

Sir JOHN CARRINGTON, C.M.G. will

HENRY E. POLLOCK,

Hon. Secretary.

HONGKONG OLD VOLUMES SOCIETY.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1899. [4342]

## NOTICE.

MR. HANS KÖCK has been authorized to

SIGN our FIRM, per procuration from

this date.

RADECKER &amp; Co.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1899. [4362]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY &amp; TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Chartered Steamship

"NANVANG,"

Captain Lehmann, will be despatched for the

above Ports, TUESDAY, the 4th instant, at

Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LARRAIK &amp; Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1899. [4352]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG,"

Captain P. H. Rolfe, R.N.R., will be despatched

as above on WEDNESDAY, the 5th instant, at

Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1899. [4352]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,

ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN

PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,

PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and

AMERICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"BENGAL,"

Captain S. Barcham, carrying Her Majesty's

Mails, will be despatched from this for

BOMBAY, &amp;c., on SATURDAY, the 15th

instant, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo

for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France,

and Tea for London (under arrangement) will

be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer

proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;

other Cargo for London, &amp;c., will be conveyed

via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4

P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and

Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note

the terms and conditions of the Company's

Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars apply to

H. A. RITCHIE,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1899.

To-day's  
Advertisements.OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
THE Company's Steamship

"PROMETHEUS,"

Captain Day, will be despatched as above

on WEDNESDAY, the 5th April, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1899. [3922]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE "P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"BALLAARAT,"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND

STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named

vessel are hereby informed that their Goods

are being landed and placed at their risk in the

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown

Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each

consignment will be sorted out mark by mark

and delivery can be obtained as soon as the

Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

From London, &amp;c., ex S.S. Australia &amp; Mas-

sillon, Arabia &amp; Egypt.

From Australia, ex S.S. Britannia.

From Persian Gulf, ex S.S. Pachumba &amp; Pem-

ba.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless

instructions are given to the contrary before

2.00 P.M.

Goods not cleared by the 6th instant, at 4

P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in

any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the

Godowns and a certificate of the damage ob-

tained, from the Godown Company within ten

days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which

no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1899. [1-w 5]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"KOHINUR,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees

of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods

will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed

at once.

Cargo remaining on board after 2 P.M. of the

4th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk

and expense into the Godowns of the Hong-

kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.,

Limited, at Wanchai.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and

PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE

DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside;

such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel

will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and

expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DAVID SASSOON, SONS &amp; Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1899. [4372]

## For Sale.

NOW READY.

HONGKONG RACES, 1899.

THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH'S"

ACCOUNT OF THE

1899 RACE MEETING

with TABULATED STATEMENTS OF PLACED

AND UNPLACED PONIES, JOCKEYS and

OWNERS.

PRICE 50 CENTS.

Only a limited Number printed.

Send Orders early to

The Manager,

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE,

Pedder's Hill.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1899.

## Intimation.

A. S. WATSON &amp; Co.,

LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

## WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

## PORTS

(For Invalids and General Use.)

B.—VINTAGE, superior quality,

Red Capsule ..... \$14.50

C.—FINE OLD VINTAGE, super-

ior quality, Black

Cap. Capsule ..... 10.20

D.—VERY FINE OLD VINTAGE

extra superior, Violet

Capsule (Old Bottled) 20.40

Port after removal should be rested

for a month before use. Wine re-

quired for drinking at once should be

ordered to be decanted at the Dis-

pensary before being sent out.

These Wines are too favourably

known to need comment.

Sample bottles and smaller quanti-

ties will be supplied at proportionate

wholesale rates.

We only guarantee our Wines and

spirits to be genuine when bought

direct from us in the Colony or from

our authorised Agents at the Const.

Ports.

A. S. WATSON &amp; Co., Limited.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 1899.

## TELEGRAMS.

(By Telegraph.)

Special to the "Hongkong Telegraph."

## THE WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES.

MANILA, April 1st.

3.52 p.m.

## CAPTURE OF MALOLOS.

The American forces captured Malolos,

the Philippine capital, yesterday. The Phil-

ippines offered only slight resistance. Before

retreating towards Calumpit the Philippines

destroyed part of the town by setting fire to

the houses.

## THE FLEET AGAIN IN ACTION.

Yesterday Dewey's ships shelled Parana-

que and Bacoor, while General Hall's

Brigade engaged the enemy near the

waterworks, succeeding, after a desperate

fight, in preventing the insurgents in

that part of the country from joining

forces with the main body of Aguinaldo's

troops near Malolos.

Received at 4.45 p.m.

Published at 5.30 p.m.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

LONDON, March 29th.

Experiments have been made with the wire-

less telegraph between Boulogne and the South

Foreland. Messages were transmitted with

perfect ease and regularity.

## THE DREYFUS AFFAIR.

The entire Court of Cassation is sitting with

closed doors examining the secret dossier.

## PARLIAMENT.

Parliament has adjourned to the 10th April.

## DENMARK AND CHINA.

The Danish Parliament has voted a credit

for the despatch of a cruiser to China.

## TROUBLE IN SAMOA.

News received from Apia, dated 23rd March,

through Reuters Agency states that Mataafa

the German protegee continuing to disregard

the treaty, the British and American Consuls

and Naval Officers sent an ultimatum, to which

the Matafaans responded by attacking Apia.

During the attack three British blue-jackets and

one American were killed and several wounded.

The British and American ships thereupon

bombarded the Matafaans; the Germans took

refuge on board of the German Cruiser Falke.

## ITALY AND THE ANGLO-FRENCH

AFRICAN AGREEMENT.

The Times correspondent at Rome states

that the Anglo-French African Agreement is

bitterly resented in Italy because it is regarded

as excluding Italy from the eventual occupation

of Tripoli and its hinterland.

(From Northern Papers.)

## GUNPOWDER EXPLOSION.

FUKUOKA, March 18th.

An explosion of gunpowder has taken place

at the Kirino Colliery in the Kurate district,

one man being killed and two others injured.

## GERMANY AND CHINA.

Tokyo, March 19th.

A dispatch to the German press announces

that German men-of-war are cruising in the

vicinity of Fuku, apparently surveying the

coast of a certain part there.

## TYPHOON IN QUEENSLAND.

GREAT LOSS OF LIFE.

TOKYO, March 20th.

The following telegram from the Japanese

Consul at Townsville, dated the 18th inst., has

reached the Government.

On the 4th inst. a violent typhoon was ex-

perienced on the Northern Coast of Queens-

land, Australia, and no less than 150 Japanese

engaged in pearl-fishing were drowned. The

delay in the report is due to the break-down of

the telegraph lines.

Viscount Aoki, the Minister for Foreign

Affairs, has made a special report of the news

to the Throne.

## SIR CLAUDE MACDONALD AND THE

ITALIAN CLAIMS.

TOKYO, March 20th.

The British Minister at Peking, who has

been appointed to act in the interests of Italy,

will only take charge of general Italian affairs.

He will take no steps in regard to the Sanmum

lay question.

## ITALY AND CHINA.

Tokyo, March 21st.

According to a Peking dispatch of the 19th

inst., no further action will be taken by Italy

against China until the explanation by Signor

Martino of his reason for going beyond his in-

structions has been heard.

## AGONCILLO NOW MISSING.

HALIFAX (N.S.), February 21st.

The name of Agoncillo appears at



"Admission to the wards is usually through the out-patient consulting room; but cases of accident and acute disease and patients bearing notes of introduction from subscribers to the funds are admitted to either hospital at all hours of the day and night. No charge is made for medicines, clothing during residence, bedding, attendance, &c., and only a very small proportion of the patients are able to pay for their food. In the Alice Memorial Hospital men only are received in-patients and the three wards (Medical, Surgical, and Ophthalmic) have accommodation for fifty-three beds. In the Netherdale Hospital there are three wards for women and children with an aggregate of thirty-five beds. The work done in the In-Patient Department may be thus tabulated:—

In-Patients remaining in Hospital on 1st January 1898 31 18  
In-Patients admitted to Hospital during the year 1898 453 225  
Total number treated as In-Patients 484 243  
Of these were—  
Discharged cured 38 143  
Discharged relieved 129 47  
Discharged on other grounds 18 12  
Died in Hospital 15 10  
446 221

In-Patients remaining in Hospital on 1st January, 1899 38 22  
"130 operations under the influence of an anæsthetic were performed in the two Hospitals during 1898, with results as under:—Cured 95, Improved 35, Died 6. In these figures account is taken of the dental operations, nor of a very large number of minor surgical operations such as opening of abscesses, reduction of simple dislocations and of fractured bones removal of nasal polyp and other small tumours, &c., performed daily in the out-patient department by the visiting medical officers, the house surgeons, and the senior students.

Daily exposition of scripture is conducted in the out-patient room in connection with every consultation, and in each of the wards there are prayers with scripture reading and exposition, while conversational work is systematically carried on among both in-patients and out-patients. This department of the work is under the supervision of the Rev. T. W. Pearce and Miss Stewart.

Mrs. Stevens desires to acknowledge with thanks donations of money to her Samaritan Fund as follows:—

Per Mrs. A. Bain 555.00  
Miss B. Stevenson, Ochiltree 55.00  
Dr. Jordan 10.00  
Mrs. Fung Yn Chun 10.00  
" Ho Tung 10.00  
" Wai Yek 10.00  
" Burton, Glasgow 10.00  
" Bateson Wright 5.00  
" Bellies 5.00  
" Crawford 5.00  
Per Mrs. Wells, Canton 5.00  
Dr. Rennie 5.00  
" Panlun 5.00  
J. Jaffrey 4.60  
Miss Jaffrey 7.75  
R. G. 2.00  
Mrs. Kwan 1.00  
530.40  
Nurses' Fund per Mrs. Brown, Kowloon 31.50  
234.90

From Miss Jaffrey's Class in Johnstone E.C.S.S., for the support of a Leper child sent from the "Netherdale" Hospital to Pakhoi, £1.00.

To many friends who have sent other gifts she also returns her best thanks for the fact that they had a handsome balance of \$1,300 to go forward with their most not run away with the idea that they had more money than they could do with.

The statement of accounts shows a balance credit of \$1,250.43. At the commencement of the year there was a balance of \$3,329.08 in hand. The donations, as per donation list amounted to \$7,311.44 in addition to which there were special donations amounting to \$863.50.

Mr. Mackenzie in formally presenting the treasurer's report said that notwithstanding the fact that they had a handsome balance of \$1,300 to go forward with their most not run away with the idea that they had more money than they could do with.

Dr. Thomson, in proposing the adoption of the report, said that the position of the hospitals was a very sound and respectable one. They had some \$30,000 yielding permanent interest, the income from invested funds last year being \$1,779.50 which was a very good, round nest egg lying by for their yearly expenditure. At the same time, while the hospitals were in a satisfactory position, he thought they wanted to bear in mind that a great deal remained to be done. Hitherto the work had been carried on with the most rigid economy at every possible point. If more funds were available a great deal more satisfactory work could be done. If their wards were full, as they might be if they were free to take in all the needy cases which presented themselves, and if they were kept full, they would necessarily spend more money than they did. Dr. Thomson added that in moving the adoption of the report he would like to include a vote of thanks to Mr. Mackenzie for the arduous work he had done during the past year. (Hear, hear.)

The Rev. T. W. Pearce seconded and the motion was heartily carried.

Mr. Mackenzie, in returning thanks, testified to the valuable assistance rendered to him by Mrs. Gibson.

The Chairman congratulated Dr. Gibson on the great success which had attended his efforts during his first complete term of office as superintendent. On the subject of the hospital being limited they were not able to do quite as much as they would like to do and in that connection he should like to repeat what he had stated on previous occasions when presiding at that and similar meetings, and that was that he thought Chinese, who were the people benefited by the institution, should contribute more largely than they did at present towards the institution. (Hear, hear.) As the population of the colony increased, and especially the Chinese population, he thought it was a pity that Mr. Wong Bing would agree with him that the time had arrived when the Chinese should come forward more liberally than hitherto, and he was certain that when the facts were more clearly laid before them that they had perhaps been hitherto, they would respond liberally to the call for subscriptions, especially when they bore in mind that it was their countrymen who principally benefited. They would all join with him in an expression of sincere regret at the death from plague of "Dr. T. W. Pearce," the house surgeon at the Netherdale Hospital. (Hear, hear.) The loss sustained by his death was a very great one. After alluding to the fact that Mrs. Stevens was taking a well-earned holiday, the Chairman added that he thought they ought to accord their thanks to Mr. Lay Wal Chuen, commander of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank for acting as leader of the Chinese committee in the collection of funds during the year, and seeing that he had performed his duties so satisfactorily he did not think they could do better than ask him to continue as the leader. (Hear, hear.)

This was all the business.

## IMPERIAL EDITOR BY WIRE.

PEKING, March 25th.  
We are in receipt of a report with recommendations and plans, by Grand Secretary Li Hung-chang, Jen Taoying, Director General of the Yellow River, and Chang Yümei, Governor of Shantung, on the inspection of the Yellow River, which has just been completed, and considering the importance of the question which concerns the welfare of the whole population of Shantung, the Grand Councilors, Grand Secretaries, the Six Bureaus and Nine Directorates, the Hanlin College, the members of the Imperial Supervisors of Instruction of the Heir Apparent and the Censors of the various circuits, are hereby all commanded to consider the report.

## NEWS BY THE ENGLISH MAIL.

THE KAISER AND THE TWINS.  
LONDON, February 25th.  
The wife of a gentleman's coachman at Geisdorf has just been blessed with twin boys, being the seventh and eighth sons. The Emperor William, says the Berlin correspondent of the *Daily News*, asked to stand as godfather, and he has consented, sending the parents a handsome sum of money, and permission for the newcomers to be christened William the First and William the Second. These names are also to be registered in the church.

ENGINEERS' WAGES ON THE CLYDE.  
The agreement between the Engineers' Employers' Federation and the Clyde-branches of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers expired to-day, and, following the example of the North-East coast men, the engineers on the Clyde have initiated a demand for an increase of 5 per cent, or about one halfpenny an hour. The demand will come before the Employers' Federation within the next few days, but in view of the present satisfactory condition of trade it is not expected that it will be of any friction.

LORD CHARLES BERSFORD.  
A Central News New York telegram to-day says Lord Charles Bersford has arranged to sail for England on Wednesday next on the American line steamship *St. Louis*.

PREPARING TO MEET THE KHALIFA.  
There is no further news of the Khalifa's progress. The Cairo correspondent of the *Daily Mail* says a company of the Royal Irish Fusiliers which is at Cyprus has been ordered to rejoin headquarters. The native officers of the Egyptian Army on leave have been ordered to Omdurman forthwith. The Khalifa is still many days' march distant from Khartoum.

THE "BULGARIA" TO RETURN TO HAMBURG.  
The London agents of the Hamburg-American Company state that the *Bulgaria* will return to Hamburg to undergo repairs. The two tugs sent out by the company will accompany her to render assistance if necessary.

THE UNITED STATES AND GERMANY.  
February 28th.

If Washington dispatches are accurate, the United States Government seems, says the New York correspondent of the *Times*, disposed to meet Germany at least halfway with reference to Samoa. A conciliatory spirit prevails at the State Department and at the White House.

GLASGOW UNIVERSITY FIGURES.  
The annual statistical report for the University of Glasgow has just been issued by the secretary to the University Court. The total number of matriculated students last year was 1,830—men 1,272, and women 264. The number of the students matriculated in each faculty was as follows:—Arts—men 536, women 176; Law—men 116, women 12; Medicine—men 177, women 81—total, 673; Law—men 203; Arts and medicine—men 1; Arts and Law—men 8; Arts and science—men 12; science and medicine—men 1; Arts and science—men 2. The number of members of the general council is now 5,541. During the year an addition of 2,200 volumes has been made to the library. The total outlays connected with the University for the year amount to £44,775.

P. AND O. ACCOMMODATION FOR LASCARS.  
Relying on Mr. Havelock Wilson in the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Ritchie said he was advised that, although the cubic space allotted to Lascars on board the P. and O. steam ship *Australia* was only 64 ft. instead of 72 ft., no obligation rested on the Board of Trade to prosecute in the case. He maintained that 64 ft. for a Lascar was certainly no less than 72 ft. for a European. (Loud laughter.) Mr. Wilson's disposition to argue the case was repressed by the Speaker.

AFTER THE ORACLE, THE CLOSURE.  
February 28th.  
Some people have surprising impudence. A gentleman writing in a morning paper winds up his letter with the sentence "I hope this correspondence will now be closed." He obviously likes to have the last word.

THE EXPECTED ARRIVAL OF MR. CHOATE.  
March 1st.

Mr. Choate, the new United States Ambassador, is expected to reach Southampton between four and five this afternoon. His Excellency will at once proceed to Waterloo, whence he will drive to Claridge's Hotel, where he will stay until he has chosen a house.

RESERVATIVE FIRE AT NEWWOOD.  
A fire which resulted in the destruction of the business premises of Mr. Farlow, auctioneer, and serious damage to the upper portions of four adjoining shops, broke out this morning at Church-road, Upper Newwood. Two young women sleeping on the second floor by a Sub-officer named Ansell, of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade.

FIRE IN SPITALFIELDS.  
A fire, attended by some striking scenes broke out about midnight at 2, Teniers-street, Spitalfields, the dwelling-house of Mr. J. Lackmaker. The outbreak occurred in the lower part of the building, and rapidly spread to the staircase, depriving the inmates of the means of egress. Fortunately a fire-escape arrived just in time to effect their rescue. Two of them were severely burned and taken to the hospital.

ASSOCIATION OF CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE.  
Mr. Choate, the new United States Ambassador, will make his first public statement in Great Britain at the banquet of the Association of Chambers of Commerce to be held in the City on the 15th. Mr. Choate cannot make any public statement until he has presented his letters of appointment to the Queen, which will probably be on Saturday next. At the Chambers of Commerce dinner he will make an important speech.

THE DISABLED "PAVONIA."  
A Reuters telegram from Ponta Delgada to-day says the *Pavonia* left there this morning for the Azores, having lost the tugs *William Jolly* and *Sarah Wilkes*.

M. DUPUY AND THE REVISION BILL.  
The French Senate yesterday continued the discussion on the Revision Bill, and by 155 votes to 125 agreed to consider its clauses. The final decision will be given to-day. The chief feature of yesterday's debate was a speech by the Premier, M. Dupuy, in support of the bill. He said: "I am not seeking popularity. I know what I have to do and I know that I know what we owe to our country. I know that in spite of our misfortunes the oppressed still turn their eyes to France. But it is now a question not of other's anguish, but of our own."

The object of our unpretending bill is to remedy the evil without any violation of principle. The bill has passed the Chamber by a Republican majority, and this is a sufficient reply to the vague accusations and suggestions of a coup d'état.

## THE VICTORIA CROSS.

The Queen has conferred the Victoria Cross on Captain H. A. G. A. Hore-Ruthven, 3rd Battalion Highland Light Infantry. On September 22, 1898, during the action of Gedamat, Captain Hore-Ruthven, seeing an Egyptian officer lying wounded within fifty yards of the advancing Derwishes, who were firing and charging, picked him up and carried him towards the 16th Egyptian Battalion. He dropped the wounded officer two or three times and fired upon the Derwishes who were following, to check their advance. Had the officer been left where he first dropped he must have been killed. Captain Hore-Ruthven, who is a son of Lord Ruthven, is twenty-six years of age.

## AN AMAZINGLY COOL OPERATION.

Some one associated with the sensational theft of bank-notes at Parr's bank in the City is at once a humorist and a very daring person. It will be remembered that the notes stolen were of the value of £50,000. A few days after the robbery £40,000 were returned to the bank by post, but all efforts to trace the sender have, so far as the public are aware, failed. On Tuesday it was discovered that somebody had returned more of the missing notes, to the value of only £30, however. The manner of this second return of notes was not, says the *Daily Mail*, of that interesting description which appeared to characterize the disgorging of the £40,000; for while surreptitiously placing the £30 worth of notes in a cashier's drawer, the very playful person who thus imprudently flouted the bank and its detectives took £30 in coin in exchange. The bank officials have been waiting on the street for ever since the first of the missing notes would be cashed, never dreaming, it is safe to say, that it would be they themselves who would cash such notes.

When the cashier who made the discovery reported it, he was told to keep his own counsel about it, and to refrain from mentioning it. Meanwhile, the police were communicated with, and as soon as the bank was closed after business hours the clerks were all searched again. But nobody was found with £30 in gold upon him. So far as is known, nobody had taken the bank either the discovery that had been made or the discovery that the cashier of the bank was waiting on the street for ever since the first of the missing notes would be cashed, never dreaming, it is safe to say, that it would be they themselves who would cash such notes.

## A SATISFACTORY RECRUITING REPORT.

AN APPROACH TO RECORD FIGURES.  
The annual report of the Inspector-General of Recruiting for 1898 issued on the 27th of February shows that the total number of recruits enlisted for the regular army last year was 40,229. With the exception of the year 1892, during which 41,559 men were raised, this is the largest number of recruits taken in any one year since the introduction of the short service system. At the commencement of the year the total strength of the army was 212,393 non-commissioned officers and men, and on December 31, 1898, the number had reached 222,373, showing a net increase of 9,980 men during the year. This increase was not, however, entirely due to recruiting. Special inducements were offered to reservists to join the colours, of which 4,479 men availed themselves.

The effective strength of the regular army was increased during the year by 9,980 non-commissioned officers and men. There was, however, a decrease of 3,207 in the number of the First Class Army Reserve, and of 1,884 in the "militia" strength. Considering the prosperous condition of the labour market, and the large demands of the Navy, the results of recruiting during the year may, adds the Inspector-General, be deemed satisfactory.

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

The P. and O. Company's steamer *Bahawalpur*, with the English mail of March 3rd, arrived yesterday morning. We take the following telegrams from the *Runjoon Times*:—

THE PLAGUE AND ITS RAVAGES.  
CALCUTTA, March 13th.

Major Evans died from plague at five o'clock this evening. He is believed to have contracted the disease while making a post mortem examination of a plague patient.

CALCUTTA, March 14th.

Major Evans' funeral this morning was largely attended.

For the week ending the 11th March there was a continual increase of plague in Bombay City, the rise in reported deaths being from 978 to 1,109 and in the total mortality 2,309 to 2,444; and there was a rise in the number of cases in Thana district and no other important change in Bombay; 58 deaths were reported from Karachi; there was a slight general improvement in Madras Presidency; in Calcutta there were 78 reported plague seizures and 66 deaths, some isolated cases being reported from Howrah and once from Serampore; slight outbreaks were reported from one village, in each of the Dacca and Faridpur districts; there was considerable improvement in Mysore State, except that the number of seizures in the Kolar Gold Fields rose to 66 from 32; the condition of affairs in the Lingsur district, Hyderabad State, has much improved; plague gained ground somewhat in Jullunder district, Punjab, where there were 27 seizures during the week.

BOMBAY, March 15th, 9.31 p.m.

The week's mortality in Bombay City is 2,312, being a decrease of 119. The recorded plague mortality is 1,604, but the actual deaths are probably 1,700. The exodus is diminishing. A week ago the natives were flying 2,000 to 3,000 a day, but the advent of the warm weather, permitting sleeping in the open, has checked this. A continual decline of the epidemic is confidently expected.

## THE REBELLION IN LINGA.

CALCUTTA, March 14th.  
Some fighting is reported at Linga in the Persian Gulf between the Arabs and Persians. The local Sheikh claims the power of a ruling chief but the Persians only regard him as holding authority under the Government. As matters in the Gulf are somewhat unsettled just now the incident may result in a good deal of fighting.

## STIRRING TIMES IN A SHOOTING CAMP.

CALCUTTA, March 16th.  
News from the Maharaja of Koch Behar's shooting party states they have had stirring times in camp. A rogue elephant came in one night and attacked the elephant the Maharajah generally rides and knocked out an eye and wounded him badly. Next night he came back and wounded another tusker. They fired at him this time and drove him off but he had placed two fine elephants *hors de combat*.

## FATAL POLO ACCIDENT.

CALCUTTA, March 14th.  
Lt. Young, 1st Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, died yesterday from a fractured skull the result of a fall at polo.

## THE EDWARDSABAD-TOCHI FORCE.

CALCUTTA, March 16th.  
From the 1st April the troops on the Edwardsabad-Tochi line will be merged into one command and designated the Edwardsabad-Tochi force, the Staff being as follows:—Colonel on the Staff Commanding: D. A. A. G.; Station Staff Officer: 2nd class at Edwardsabad and 3rd class at Dulla, Khel, and Minnahshah; Assistant Superintendent, Signalling: Provost Marshall; Principal Medical Officer of Brigade; and Commissariat Officer and Transport Officer. The garrison at Edwardsabad will thus be under the order of the Officer Commanding the force.

## NOTANDA.

## CALENDAR.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1893.

Barometer ..... 30.059  
Thermometer ..... 85.0  
Humidity ..... 85.0  
Rainfall ..... 4.08

## TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.  
On date at 10 a.m. On date at 4 p.m.  
Barometer ..... 30.04 29.90  
Thermometer ..... 64 61  
Humidity ..... 84 90  
Rainfall ..... 0

## TO-MORROW.

Monday, 1st April, 1899.

Chinese—21st of 2nd moon of 25th year of Kwang-si.

Sun—Rises ..... 6hr. 0min.  
Sets ..... 5hr. 35min.  
High water—Morning ..... 4hr. 30min.  
Afternoon ..... 1hr. 27min.  
Low water—Morning ..... 5hr. 37min.  
Afternoon ..... 5hr. 34min.

## ANNIVERSARIES.

1815—Prince Bismarck born.  
1857—Mr. Ch. Markwick murdered by his Chinese servant at the Peak.  
1873—Hongkong joined the Postal Union.  
1876—The port of Hoioh opened.  
1877—The ports of Pakhoi, Wenchow, Wahu, and Ichang opened.  
1891—Gap Rock light first exhibited.

## TO-MORROW.

Tuesday, 2nd April, 1899.

Chinese—22nd of 2nd moon of 25th year of Kwang-si.

Sun—Rises ..... 6hr. 0min.  
Sets ..... 5hr. 35min.  
High water—Morning ..... 4hr. 30min.  
Afternoon ..... 1hr. 27min.  
Low water—Morning ..... 5hr. 37min.  
Afternoon ..... 5hr. 34min.

## ANNIVERSARIES.

1847—Sir John Davis' Expedition started for Canada.  
1865—Prince Kung degraded by the Empress Dowager.  
1890—Memorial Stone of the Hongkong Praya Reclamation Works laid by the Duke of Connaught.  
1896—Medals for special services rendered during the plague presented to members of the Hongkong Police.

## CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral:—Communion, 7 a.m., 11 a.m., 5 p.m., 5.45 p.m.

Roman Catholic Cathedral:—Mass at 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., and 9.30 a.m. Benediction, 5 p.m.

Union Church:—Services, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

German Bethesda Chapel, West Point:—Morning Service, 11 a.m. Benediction, 5 p.m.

St. Francis Church, Vanchai:—Mass (Chin.), 6 a.m., (Port.), 7.30 a.m. Benediction, 5 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road:—Morning Service (English), 9 a.m.

St. Anthony's Chapel, West Point:—Mass, 8 a.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church:—Services, 10.30 a.m. and 5.45 p.m.

St. Peter's Seamen's Church:—11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

## SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

## MAILS DUE.

German (*Prinz Heinrich*) 4th inst.

Australian (*Guthrie*) 4th inst.

American (*Galician*) 7th inst.

American (*Hongkong Maru*) 14th inst.

Canadian (*Empress of India*) 19th inst.

American (*China*) 22nd inst.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Aucuna*, left Singapore for this port yesterday afternoon, the 31st ultimo.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Elfrickdale*, with mails, etc., which left here February 21st for San Francisco, via Moji, Kobe and Yokohama, arrived at her destination on the 29th ultimo.

THE Agents (Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co.) inform us that the "Shire" Line steamer *Diamond* from London, left Singapore for this port yesterday afternoon, the 31st ultimo, and is due here on or about the 5th instant.

## HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

*Yala de Cuba* ..... at Kowloon Dock.

*Yala de Luzon* ..... " "

*Yala de Sulu* ..... " "

*Yala de Mindanao* ..... " "

*Yala de Celebes* ..... " "

*Yala de Sumatra* ..... " "

*Yala de Java* ..... " "

*Yala de Borneo* ..... " "

*Yala de Philippines* ..... " "

*Yala de Moluccas* ..... " "

*Yala de Celebes* ..... " "

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*Yala de Borneo* ..... " "

*Yala de Philippines* ..... " "

*Yala de Moluccas* ..... " "

## Intimations.

## HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

## PROGRAMME OF THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL RIFLE MEETING.

TO BE HELD AT KOWLOON

ON MONDAY, the April 3rd, 1899.

Under the distinguished patronage of H.E. Sir Henry Blake, G.C.M.G.

H.E. Major-General GASCOIGNE, C.M.C.

1.—Queen's 1st Stage.—Distance 200 yds. Members only. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance 50 cents. Three prizes value 50 per cent. of Entries with \$5 added. Position—Standing or Kneeling. Martini-Henry Rifles allowed 2 points.

2.—Martini-Henry Carbine Competition.—Distance 200 yds. Members only. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance 50 cents. Three prizes value 50 per cent. of Entries with \$5 added.

3.—Ladies' Nomination.—Open to Lady Members of their Nominees. Distance 300 yds. No. of Shots—Seven. No Entrance fee. Prizes presented.

4.—Martini-Henry Carbine Competition.—400 yds. Members only. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance 50 cents. Three prizes value 50 per cent. of Entries with \$5 added.

5.—Queen's 1st Stage.—Distance, 500 yds. Members only. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance 50 cents. Three prizes value 50 per cent. of the Entries with \$5 added. Martini-Henry Rifles allowed 2 points.

6.—Queen's 2nd Stage.—Distance 500 yds. Members only. No. of Shots—Ten. Entrance 50 cents. Three prizes value 50 per cent. of the Entries with \$5 added. Martini-Henry Rifles allowed 3 points.

7.—Queen's 1st Stage.—Distance 600 yds. Members only. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance 50 cents. Three prizes value 50 per cent. of the entries with \$5 added. Martini-Henry Rifles



## Intimations.

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
FUTAMI MARU C. Hillcoat	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.	FRIDAY, 7th April, at 4 P.M.
KAWACHI MARU J. S. Thompson	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	SATURDAY, 8th April, at 4 P.M.
KANAGAWA MARU J. MacKenzie	MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP & BREMEN, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID.	SUNDAY, 9th April, at 4 P.M.
KAGOSHIMA MARU R. Nunoine	KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	THURSDAY, 13th April, at 4 P.M.
SENDAI MARU C. Olsen	VLADIVOSTOCK, via SWATOW, AMOY, SHANGHAI, CHEFOO, CHEMULPO and NAGASAKI.	THURSDAY, 13th April, at 4 P.M.
SADO MARU W. Thompson	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	THURSDAY, 20th April, at 4 P.M.

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A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1899.

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Hongkong, 11th December, 1896. [45]

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Hongkong, 9th March, 1897. [11]

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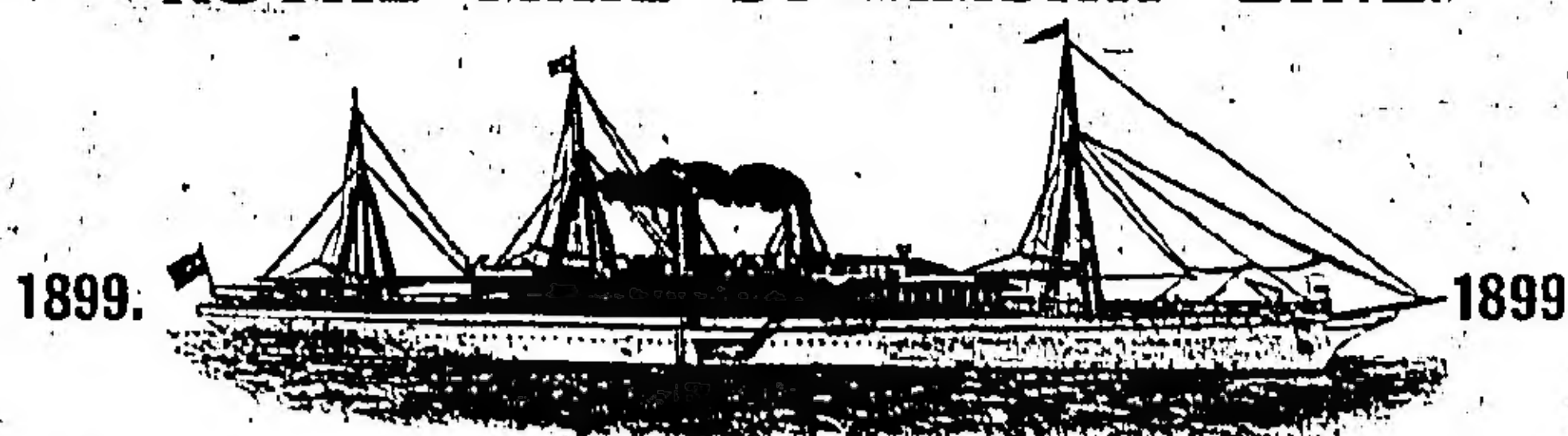
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36, DIVISION STREET, KOBE.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1899. [44]

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Hongkong, 16th March, 1899.

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## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama &amp; Honolulu) Tuesday, 25th April, at Noon.

NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama &amp; Honolulu) Saturday, 20th May, at Noon.

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Hongkong, 11th March, 1899. [1310]

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Hongkong, 29th March, 1899. [1444]

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1899. [4]

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"That the Capital of the Company be increased to \$500,000 by the creation of 16,000 Ordinary Shares of \$5.00 each, and 70,000 Preference Shares of \$1.00 each; such shares to be issued at the discretion of the Directors, provided that they shall be offered in the first instance to the existing shareholders in proportion to the amount of the capital held by them at the time of such issue.

The Holders of the said Preference Shares shall be entitled to a cumulative preferential Dividend at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum. Whenever the profits of the Company in respect of any year shall be more than sufficient to pay the preferential dividend aforesaid to the close of such year, and also a dividend for such year at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum on the Ordinary Shares, the holders of the said Preference Shares shall be entitled to participate in the surplus *pari passu* with the holders of the other Shares.

In the event of the winding-up of the Company, the holders of the said Preference Shares shall be entitled to have the surplus assets of the Company applied in the first case in repaying to them the amount paid up on the Preference Shares held by them respectively, and the residue of such surplus assets shall, subject to the rights of members entitled to shares issued upon special conditions as hereinafter provided, belong to and be divided among the Ordinary Shareholders of the Company, and if there shall be more than sufficient to pay the amount paid-up on the Ordinary Shares such surplus (if any) shall be divisible between the holders of the Preference Shares and the Ordinary Shares rateably."

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Hongkong, 29th March, 1899. [1444]

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## PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
NURNBERG	HAVRE, AMSTERDAM, HAMBURG/BREMEN (LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	About 10th April. Freight.
*BABELSBERG	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN (LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	About 25th April. Freight and Passage.
SERBIA	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN (LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	About 30th April. Freight.
Savoia	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN (LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	About 5th May. Freight and Passage.
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Hongkong, 28th March, 1899. [1330]

## U.S. MAIL LINE.

## PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Aztec (via Moji, Kobe) Tuesday, 4th April, at Noon.

City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama &amp; Honolulu) Saturday, 8th April, at Noon.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama &amp; Honolulu) Tuesday, 2nd May, at Noon.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama &amp; Honolulu) Saturday, 27th May, at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"AZTEC,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via MOJI, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA, on TUESDAY, the 4th April, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1899. [13]

## NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

## NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN, AND HAMBURG, HONOLULU, IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS.

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON.

LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Prinz Heinrich... Wednesday 12th April.

Preussen... Wednesday 12th May.

Sachsen... Wednesday 21st June.

Bayern... Wednesday 19th July.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 26th day of April, 1899, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," Captain O. Coppers, with MAILED PASSENGERS, SPECIE &amp; CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on MONDAY, the 24th April. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 25th April, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on TUESDAY, the 25th April. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$1.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Cubic Feet in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Lifeline can be washed on board.

For further Particulars apply to MELCHERS &amp; Co., Agents.

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